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## Interview Summary

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Date of Interview: 01 May 2008.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☐ Personal (copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 17, 18 and 22.

Identification of prior art discussed: \_\_\_\_\_.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Examiner agrees that amended claims 1, 17, and 22 would overcome the rejections made in the previous office action. Examiner has determined that an elastomer band as recited in amended claim 18 would be an obvious matter of design choice since the applicant has not disclosed that an elastomer band provides an advantage, is used for a particular purpose, or solves a stated problem over the prior art retention devices.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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/Melanie Tyson/  
Examiner, Art Unit 3773

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